Sub-Inspectors in the Education Department.

360. MR. K. M. CHANDY (*Meenachil I—General*) : Will the Hon'ble Minister for Education be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether a new set of Inspecting Officers called Sub-Inspectors have been appointed in the Education Department after the introduction of compulsory primary education ;

(*b*) if so, how many of them have been appointed ; and

(*c*) what is the nature of their work ?

HON'BLE MR. T. M. VARGHESE : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) 39 in compulsory areas.
99 in non-compulsory areas.

(*c*) The Sub-Inspectors are expected to inspect the teaching work in Primary Schools, to watch and report on the regular attendance of the teachers and pupils in the schools in their respective areas. They should have visited, at least once every week, every school within their jurisdiction. They are also expected to report on the condition of the building and general working of the school from time to time and help the Assistant Inspectors of Schools and Inspectors of primary schools in the matter of conducting local enquiries in respect of the compassionate gratuity papers and complaints, if any, against Headmasters and Teachers.

The Leasing of land for Cardamom cultivation.

361. MR. N. P. VARGHESE (*Muvattupuzha I—General*) : Will the Hon'ble Minister for Land be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether there is any rule in existence under the Cardamom Rules prohibiting the leasing out of more than sixty acres to one individual for cardamom cultivation ;

(*b*) whether any person or persons were exempted from this rule, and were given more than sixty acres of land ; and

(*c*) if the answer to part (*b*) is in the affirmative, the names of those who were thus exempted from this rule ?

HON'BLE MR. C. KESAVAN : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) There are no specific orders exempting any person or persons from the operation of this Rule'. But, certain individuals have been given more than 60 acres.

(*c*) I. Mr. K. K. Kuruvilla, M. T. Seminary, Kottayam.
2. Sry. Lalithambika Amma, Vanchiyur, Trivandrum.
3. Mr. Thariathu Kunji Thommen, Elenjikal, Kothamangalam.

Shencottah Municipality.

362. MR. A. RAMASUBRAMONIA KARAYALAR (*Shencottah—General*) : Will the Hon'ble Minister for Local Self Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the total annual income of the Shencottah Municipality ;

(*b*) the annual expenditure by way of allowance and salary of the Commissioner ; and

(*c*) why in view of the poor finances of the Municipality the post of the Commissioner should not be abolished ?

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